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LETTER DATED 17 JULY 1992 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF TUNISIA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

In my capacity as Chairman of the Arab Group for the month of July 1992, I have the honour to transmit herewith the text of the statement issued on 16 July 1992 by the General Secretariat of the League of Arab States concerning the siege of Al-Najah University in Nablus by the Israeli occupation authorities and the ban on movement in the town of Nablus and in the neighbouring camps which has been imposed by those authorities.

I should be grateful if you would arrange for the text of this letter and its annex to be circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 33, and of the Security Council.

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Annex

STATEMENT BY THE LEAGUE OF ARAB STATES CONCERNING THE SIEGE OF AL-NAJAH UNIVERSITY IN NABLUS BY THE ISRAELI OCCUPATION AUTHORITIES

The General Secretariat of the League of Arab States is following with the utmost concern the siege of the Palestinian Al-Najah University in Nablus by the Israeli occupation authorities and the ban on movement in the town and in the neighbouring camps imposed by those authorities, as well as the raids on the University campus carried out by those authorities, who opened fire on students who were demonstrating in protest against interference by the occupation authorities in elections organized by the student union.

The General Secretariat of the League of Arab States condemns these arbitrary acts, which have left several Palestinian students wounded and which are part of a series of acts of aggression committed against Palestinian institutions and establishments and against Palestinians, and it calls upon the international community as represented within the United Nations and bodies dealing with human rights to take immediate action to induce Israel to cease such arbitrary practices, which constitute a flagrant violation of human rights instruments and the fourth Geneva Convention of 1949, and to lift the siege of the Palestinian Al-Najah University in Nablus.

The League of Arab States draws the attention of world public opinion and of the parties to the regional peace process to the danger which such practices pose to the peace efforts that are under way and the adverse effects which they have on those efforts, which offer hope to the peoples of the region and to the entire world.